

August 5, 2005

Arizona Department of Environmental

Re: Pollutants Solicitation #SCC060000

To Whom It May Concern:

It is our pleasure to provide you with this reference letter on behalf of our client Brown and Caldwell. Please accept this letter as confirmation of their bondability.

Brown and Caldwell have been supported for single projects in excess of \$2,000,000 with an aggregate work program in excess of \$4,000,000. The issuance of final bonds is obviously subject to review of the contract terms and conditions, common to the construction industry and acceptable to our client and the surety.

We highly recommend Brown and Caldwell to you. They are well managed, financed and truly capable of meeting your requirements for this project. If you have any questions in regards to this letter do not hesitate to call.

Yours truly,

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